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### Definition:

1. In color development, the chemical that combines with certain by-products of the development procedure to form a dye.
2. Device for distributing optical power among two or more ports.
3. Device for coupling optical power between a waveguide and a source or detector, and thus sometimes interchangeable with a connector.

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